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## **MAYOR JERRY SANDERS**

### **FACT SHEET**

## **CITY ROADWAYS BENEFIT FROM STIMULUS FUNDS**

### *City Gains Over \$20 Million for Streets, Sidewalks and Other Facilities*

The City of San Diego will be using a new share of federal stimulus funds to improve local roadways. The new funding, allocated through the San Diego Association of Government's (SANDAG) Regional Transportation Improvement Program, will add over \$20 million for paving, sidewalk improvements, median construction and other projects throughout the City.

"This is another example of how San Diego is benefitting from a well-coordinated and unified approach to seeking federal funds," said San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders. "Our hard work and lobbying effort continue to pay dividends with more and more federal money coming our way," he said.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 provided money for transportation projects including road and highways funds through the Federal Highway Administration. SANDAG, is the local recipient of some of those funds and has moved just over \$20.16 million to the City for important, and previously identified, local road improvement needs.

The City Council has already approved the expenditure of \$14.1 million of the new funds. The Council will allocate \$6,050,400 of the money forwarded by SANDAG – and originally intended to replace gas tax funds that were to be taken by the state – at a later date.

A complete list of roadway projects the Council has approved for funding is attached.

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